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This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

**Listing of Claims:**

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1-36. (Previously Canceled)

<sup>1</sup>  
~~37~~. (Previously amended) A method for treating Attention-Deficit Disorder or Attention-Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder in a patient, wherein the method comprises administering a pharmaceutically acceptable composition comprising 100 ng to 500 mg of methylphenidate and a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier to said patient in a manner that achieves a substantially ascending methylphenidate plasma drug concentration over a time period of about 5.5 hours following said administration.

38-45. (Previously Canceled)

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<sup>2</sup> ~~46~~. (Previously Presented) The method of claim ~~37~~ wherein said substantially ascending methylphenidate plasma drug concentration is over a time period of about 4 to about 5.5 hours.

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<sup>3</sup> ~~47~~. (Previously Presented) The method of claim ~~37~~ wherein said substantially ascending methylphenidate plasma drug concentration is over a time period of about 5.5 to about 8 hours.

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<sup>4</sup> ~~48~~. (Previously Presented) The method of claim ~~37~~ wherein said substantially ascending methylphenidate plasma drug concentration is over a time period of about 5.5 to about 9.5 hours.

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<sup>5</sup> ~~49~~. (Previously Presented) A method for treating Attention-Deficit Disorder or Attention-Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder in a patient, wherein the method comprises administering a pharmaceutically acceptable composition comprising 100 ng to 500 mg of methylphenidate and a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier to said patient in a manner that

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achieves a substantially ascending methylphenidate plasma drug concentration over a time period of about 8 hours following said administration.

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50. (Previously Presented) A method for treating Attention-Deficit Disorder or Attention-Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder in a patient, wherein the method comprises administering a pharmaceutically acceptable composition comprising 100 ng to 500 mg of methylphenidate and a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier to said patient in a manner that achieves a substantially ascending methylphenidate plasma drug concentration over a time period of about 9.5 hours following said administration.